

**IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No.	:	10/501,112	Confirmation No.	:	5620
Applicant	:	Benkowski et al.	Assignee	:	Micromed Technology, Inc.
Filed	:	07/07/2004	Title	:	Blood Pump System and Method of Operation
TC/A.U.	:	3762			
Examiner	:	George R. Evanisko			
Docket No.	:	0021906.023US			
Customer No.	:	22904			

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 19, 2009, please amend the subject application as set forth herein pursuant Rule 116(b)(2) & (3). This Amendment is electronically filed within three (3) months of the mailing date of the Office Action and, therefore, is timely. Reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested in light of the arguments and amendments presented herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Assignees' **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.